WHEREAS, Multiple Scierosis, a chronic crippling disease, is one of the greatest causes of disability of young adults, often striking them in their prime career and family be dding years between the ages of twenty and forty; and,

WHEREAS, It is estimated that hundreds of thousands of Americans suffer with Multiple Scienosis; and,

WHEREAS, Multiple Scierosis affects an estimated two million people, patients and family members, and creates an estimated two billion dollar annual economic loss to the nation; and,

WHEREAS, The national Multiple Sclerosis Society is observing the completion of twenty-nine years of dedication to the conquering of this disease; and,

WHEREAS, As a result of the untiring efforts of the Society and its branches and chapters throughout the country hope is offered to Multiple Scierosis patients everywhere through patient services and public education; and,

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Chapter of the Multiple Scierosis Society has launched a program of increasing public awareness and interest in this major health problem:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 14 through September 20, 1975, as

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in South Dakota, and urge all citizens to avail themselves of current facts about Multiple Scierosis and do what they can to alleviate the suffering of loved ones and friends who have Multiple Scierosis.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 8th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Five

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST: Suna S. Winseth

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE